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Report from Bluefields, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Reilly reports as follows: Week ended April 17, 1904. Present officially estimated population, 4,000; number of deaths, 3; prevailing diseases, malarial fever, tuberculosis, and dysentery; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
Apr. 13	Utstein	15	3
16	John Wilson	18	19
17	Ometepe	23	27

PANAMA.

Report from Colon—Mortality during March, 1904.

Surgeon Perry reports, April 19, as follows:

For the month of March, 1904, the deaths, classified as to cause, were: Fevers, 11; dysentery, 1; pneumonia, 2; whooping cough, 1; apoplexy, 1; heart disease, 1; bronchitis, 3; diarrhea, 1; dropsy, 1; internal diseases, 2; cause not given, 1; total, 25.

The total number of deaths gives in the estimated population of 6,000 an annual death rate of 50 per thousand, which may be considered approximately normal for this town.

A further classification shows that 10 were Jaimaicans or other West Indian negroes, and that 15 were Colombians.

According to age, the deaths are divided as follows: Under 1 year, 4; over 1 year and under 5 years, 2; between 5 and 15 years, 1; between 15 and 20 years, 1; 20 to 30 years, 3; 30 to 40 years, 8; between 40 and 50 years, 5; and over 60 years, 1.

The general morbidity during the month specified was about normal, and during that period and to date no quarantinable diseases have prevailed, so far as I have been able to ascertain. Several cases that were rumored as suspicious were traced and examined, but the cases were those of malarial fever of severe form.

Report from Panama—Inspection of vessels—Mortality statistics.

Assistant Surgeon Pierce reports, April 18, as follows:

Owing to the strike among the dock laborers no vessels of the Pacific Mail Company cleared for San Francisco during the week ended April 17, 1904.

The following vessels of the United States Navy were given bills of health without inspection: *Marblehead*, *Concord*, *New York*, and *Bennington*.

During the week there were from all causes 13 deaths, none of which were caused by quarantinable diseases. The causes given were as